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Dear County Superintendents of Schools, County Auditors, and County Treasurers:

Notice of the Final Apportionment for the Miller-Unruh Basic Reading Program, Fiscal Year 2000-01

This apportionment, in the amount of \$1,585,253, is made from funds provided by Item 6110-126-0001 of the 2000 Budget Act (Chapter 52, Statutes of 2000) to fund each eligible local educational agency (LEA) to employ reading specialists for the purpose of preventing and correcting reading difficulties at the earliest possible time in the educational career of the student pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 54100) of Part 29 of the *Education Code*.

For the 2000-01 fiscal year, the final rate per full-time reading specialist position is \$26,740.19, which reflects an increase of \$1,473.19 from the original estimate of \$25,267. The increase in the rate is due to the continued full allocation of state program funds combined with a reduction in the total number of reading specialist reported statewide. Note that reading specialists are funded at the lesser of \$26,740.19, or the actual salary. The entitlement for an LEA is determined by multiplying the number of reported reading specialists by the lesser of the actual salary or \$26,740.19, and then deducting prior apportionments.

The Miller-Unruh Basic Reading program is included in the charter school block grant funding model pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 47630) of Part 26.8 of the *Education Code*. As such, charter schools that are participating in the model have received their funding for this program as part of the categorical component of the charter school block grant, which was allocated as part of the principal apportionment. Charter schools that are not participating in the charter school block grant funding model have received their funding for this program through their chartering agency.

Warrants will be mailed to each county treasurer approximately four weeks from the date of this Notice. For standardized account code structure (SACS) coding, use Resource Code 7200, Miller-Unruh Reading Program, and Revenue Object Code 8590, All Other State Revenue. For

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non-SACS coding, use Income Account Code 8411, Basic Reading Act. County superintendents of schools are requested to inform each LEA immediately regarding this apportionment.

If you have any questions regarding this apportionment, please contact Nancy Cook at (916) 324-4549 or by e-mail at ncook@cde.ca.gov, or Ging Tucker at (916) 324-4536 or by e-mail at gtucker@cde.ca.gov. For program issues, please contact Pamela Routhier at (916) 327-4408 or by e-mail at prouthie@cde.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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